I am apalled to learn of Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. This is a clear violation of the trust Americans place in their journalists.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard.

Americans need to know that reporting is fair. Such underhanded tactics have no place in a democratic nation such as ours.

Thank you.

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